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Dear Sir:

This second Status Letter is being filed because our file for the subject application reveals that there has been no action in this application since it was published, i.e., May 20, 2004.

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Respectfully submitted,

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